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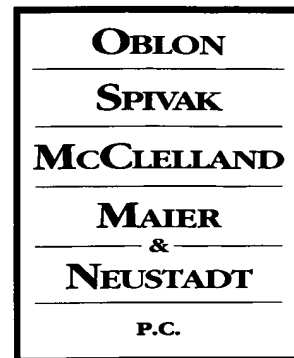


COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS  
ALEXANDRIA, VIRGINIA 22313

RE: Application Serial No.: 09/442,646  
Applicants: Toshihisa SARUTA, et al.  
Filing Date: November 18, 1999  
For: METHOD OF NORMALITY DECISION  
WITH REGARD TO INK CARTRIDGE  
AND PRINTER ACTUALIZING THE  
METHOD

Group Art Unit: 2626

Examiner: WALLERSON, M.



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### REQUEST FOR RECONSIDERATION

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In response to the Office Action dated October 27, 2004, please reconsider the above-identified application in light of the following:

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 2 of this paper.